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New Jersey Department of Education Awards Nearly \$30 Million in Stabilization Aid to 42 School Districts

Trenton, NJ — The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) today announced it has approved \$29.65 million in funding to help 42 school districts that are experiencing a reduction in state aid or are otherwise facing a budgetary imbalance.

Funding for the Stabilization Aid was made available through a \$30 million line item in Governor Murphy's Fiscal Year 2023 State Budget.

"The Department always strives to work closely with districts to ensure schools receive the funding necessary for the needs of their students," said Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan, Acting Commissioner of Education. "This Stabilization Aid is an example of that partnership with school districts, and I applaud Governor Murphy for providing this additional layer of immediate support."

The NJDOE prioritized applications based on equipment, supplies, technology, and furniture; purchase of school buses and other transportation costs; textbooks, if not requested and funded in Fiscal 2022 Stabilization Aid; and one-time security costs. The NJDOE also included two additional priority categories.

This is the second year the Governor's annual budget has included Stabilization Aid, which is designed to support districts that saw a reduction in state aid due to the passage of a 2018 bill. That bill (P.L. 2018, Chapter 67) established a seven-year phase-in to full funding of school districts to eliminate years of state-aid inequities that overfunded some school districts while failing to keep pace with the fiscal needs of other growing districts.

Districts that applied for the Fiscal Year 2023 Stabilization Aid were required to demonstrate how they plan to fund operations in future years when supplemental state aid is not available. Districts that received Stabilization Aid funding in Fiscal Year 2022 were also required to describe how they implemented their Fiscal Year 2022 stabilization plan and how they will navigate the remainder of the phase-in of Chapter 67 without the need for additional funding.

Fiscal Year 2023 Stabilization Aid, By District

County	School District	Amount Awarded
Burlington	Delanco Township	\$219,200
Burlington	Pemberton Township	\$706,050
Burlington	Tabernacle Township	\$52,726
Burlington	Woodland Township	\$33,640
Cape May	Lower Cape May Regional	\$250,000
Cumberland	Fairfield Township	\$242,105
Cumberland	Stow Creek	\$160,000
Hudson	Weehawken Township	\$284,166
Middlesex	Old Bridge Township	\$2,818,000

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Varren Frelinghuysen	\$50,000
Varren Knowlton Township	¢24.000
Varren North Warren Regional	\$21,000
Total	\$110,000





